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Mr. Steve Casey
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
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420 Fifth Street
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Re: Marquette County Road 595 – EPA Review DEQ File No. 11-52-0075-P

Dear Mr. Casey:

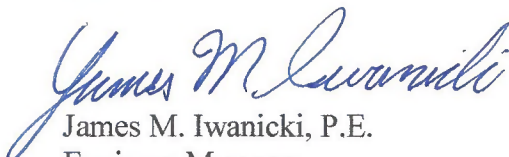
In accordance with Public Act 164 of 2012 the Marquette County Road Commission (MCRC) is authorizing the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) to extend the processing deadline for the above reference permit to October 1, 2012.

The MCRC is authorizing this time extension with the understanding that MDEQ will continue to evaluate and process the permit application in a timely and efficient manner. It is also our understanding that MDEQ will request that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hold a public hearing on this issue in accordance with their letter dated April 23, 2012.

Our expectation is that the communication between MDEQ and MCRC will continue to be excellent as it has been throughout this entire process. It is also our hope that MDEQ will continue to engage the EPA and that the communication process between MDEQ and EPA as well as MCRC and EPA will be strengthened during this time extension.

I would like to thank you and your staff in advance for your efforts in reviewing and analyzing this complex application and for your coordination within your agency and with EPA. Please contact me at your convenience if you have any questions or if you would like additional information.

Sincerely,


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